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1. ☒ The amendment filed on 02 November 2006 under 37 CFR 1.312 has been considered, and has been:

- a) ☐ entered.
- b) ☒ entered as directed to matters of form not affecting the scope of the invention.
- c) ☐ disapproved because the amendment was filed after the payment of the issue fee.

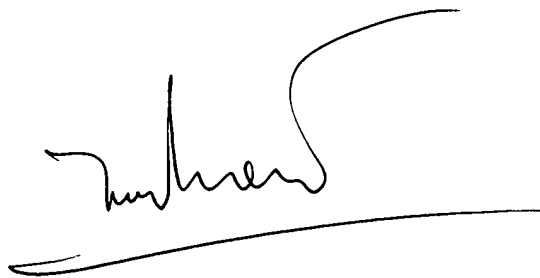
Any amendment filed after the date the issue fee is paid must be accompanied by a petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(1) and the required fee to withdraw the application from issue.

- d) ☐ disapproved. See explanation below.
- e) ☐ entered in part. See explanation below.

New title filed on 11/02/06 is being considered and entered.

The title suggested by Examiner in paper mailed on 10/26/2006 was different than that of the title supplied by applicant, but the loss in brevity of title will be more than offset by the gain in its informative value in indexing, classifying, searching, etc. Examiner may, at the time of allowance, change the title by examiner's amendment. However, Examiner agreed to enter applicant's new title for applicant's own reason.

Claims 1-22 are allowed because of the decision on appeal from The Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences in Appeal No. 2006-2412 of patent application 09/892,424 on 09/28/2006, and the arguments made by applicant in Appeal Brief and Reply Brief filed on 12/01/05 and 05/09/06 respectively. Any remark made by applicant in paper filed on 11/02/06 should not be used to interpret the limitations and scope of any claim. Therefore, applicant's remarks that affect the limitations and scope of claimed invention are not being entered.



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